



Building Mirrors and Windows: Children Seeing Themselves and Others in the Literature that We Teach

DATE: February 25, 2021 TIME: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. COST: Free to MI Educators and Administrators VIRTUAL REGISTRATION LINK WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE

MDE LITERACY WEBSITE

CONFERENCE ATTENDEES CHOOSE ONE BREAKOUT **SESSION:**

- Kindergarten 5th Grade Educators
- 6th 12th Grade Educators
- **District Administrators**



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Dr. Gholdy Muhammad

Author of Cultivating Genius: An Equity Framework for Culturally and Historically Responsive Literacy

Dr. Muhammad earned her Ph.D. in literacy, language, and culture at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Her research has focused on the social and historical foundations of literacy in Black communities and how literacy development can be reconceptualized in classrooms today.

Dr. Muhammad will discuss the history and purpose of classroom libraries, in addition to how to vet current materials for biases and in turn, use inclusive texts to aid in instructional practices.